AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2, AS REPORTED OFFERED BY MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK

At the end of subtitle A of title IV, insert the following:

1 SEC. ____. THIRD PARTY ACCESS TO EBT ACCOUNT BAL 2 ANCES AND TRANSACTION HISTORY.

3 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-4 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue 5 rules to enable households that participate in the supple-6 mental nutrition assistance program to authorize third 7 parties to obtain access to their EBT account balances, transaction histories, and other necessary information, for 8 9 the purpose of aggregation that may help such households 10 manage their finances and plan for future purchases with 11 program benefits. Such rules should be designed to em-12 power households to take greater control of their finances and should ensure that households' benefits information 13 is accessed, stored, used, and distributed securely. 14

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